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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

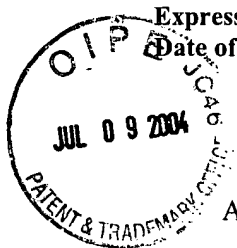
This Response and Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2004 in the above-identified patent application. With a three-month extension, these documents are due on or before July 13, 2004. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, along with the appropriate fee. Accordingly, Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference 25669-016.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.



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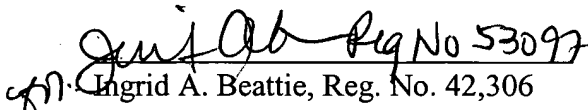
Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- ☒ Amendment and Response to Office Action (8 pgs.);
- ☒ Copy of Bonaldo Sequence (Accession No. BF550603) (2 pgs.);
- ☒ Petition of Extension of Time (1 pg, in duplicate);
- ☒ Check 18961 in the amount of \$475.00; and
- ☒ Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 25669-016. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed. Please address all correspondence to Customer Number 30623.

Respectfully submitted,


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